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NG Kerk vier 'n eeu en 'n half



NG Kerk Prins Albert (Foto: Reinwald Dedekind)

- Mariana Botes -

Met koorsang en soliste en 'n mees-ter voor die orrel, saam met honderde jubelende stemme van jongmense en volwassenes uit alle dele van die gemeenskap, is die NG Kerk Prins Albert op 21 Augustus gevul met musiek uit die boonste rakke. Daarby het die voorsitter van die feeskommissie, ds Johan Botes, kerkgangers in 'n feestelike stemming meegeneem en die geskiedenis van die hoeksteenlegging in 1860 en die aanbring van die orrel in 1886, lewend oortel. En Miems Theron se uitstalling van ou foto's uit die kerk-argief, het mense sommer baie ver terug laat dink!

Een van die eerste simboliese gebeure tydens die erediens was die aansteek van kerse deur die oudste en die jongste dopelinge uit die maande rondom die feesdatums. Die idee was om alle gelowiges weer te herinner aan die belangrikheid van 'n mens se doopdatum, en dat dit ook 'n wonderlike feesdag is om persoonlik te vier, net soos 'n mens se verjaardag.

Tydens die diens het die Ad Astra-koor

van die Hoërskool Oudtshoorn en twee plaaslike soliste, Therene Fourie en Lodé Mooneys, opgetree. Die teenwoordigheid van die St John's Anglikaanse Kerk met 'n groeteboodschap deur Ailsa Tudhope en ook verteenwoordigers van die Verenigende Gereformeerde Kerk met mnr John Steyn wat die Skriflesing en gebed gehanteer het, het 'n belangrike boodskap tuisgebring. Dit is dat die kerk van die Here bestaan uit baie gelowiges uit verskeie gemeentes, maar almal word saamgebond deur die liefde van Jesus Christus.

Die besoekende orrelis, Philippus du Plessis, het met sy fyn aanvoeling vir die historiese orrel die aanwesiges gehelp om nie net musiek te waardeer nie, maar die teenwoordigheid van God aan te voel. Met JS Bach se *Jesus, bron van al my vreugde*, het die orrel op 'n stemmingsvolle wyse die feestelikheid van die dag beklemtoon. In die tien verwerkings van Ps 42 deur komponis Georg Böhm wat hy as voorspel gespeel het, kon hy die verskillende registers van die orrel gebruik om die variasie in klank te demonstreer.

Die jubelende klanke van *Lofsing die Here* was eweneens 'n pragstuk. Die orrel is

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- ❖ 30X40 Auction donates to PA Primêr

voorwaar 'n skat en kleinood wat pragtig bewaar en instand gehou is.

Die prediker by die geleentheid was die plaaslike leraar, ds Chris Briers. Hy het 'n hoeksteenteks gekies uit I Petrus 2:9 en benadruk dat met Christus as die hoeksteen 'n mens verseker die uitdaging van die lewe kan hanteer.

Ds Botes het daarop gewys dat 'n geleentheid soos die hoeksteen- en orrelfees mense terugvoer na die geskiedenis. Tog is ons eintlik soos dwergies op die skouers van reuse – die reuse van die geskiedenis. As ons op hulle skouers staan, kan ons daarom op 'n beter manier die toekoms binnegaan en uitreik na nog hoër dinge. Wie die geskiedenis en tradisie egter minag, slaag gewoonlik nie daarin om nuwe hoogtes te bereik nie, het hy gesê.

Die kerkraad het daarom juis besluit om fees te vier, maar terselfdertyd ook 'n 'hoeksteengetuigenis' uit te reik wat as baken kan dien wanneer toekomstige geslagte weer sal terugkyk op die tyd waarin ons geleef het. 'n Boekmerk met hierdie getuigenis is ook as 'n gedenkstuk aan almal in die kerk uitgedeel.

Die blomme oral in die kerk en by die hoeksteen het simbolies aangesluit by die fees. In die voorportaal was 'n pragruiker in blou en geelgoud wat die orrelpype se vorm en versiering nageboots het. Op die orrelgalery en voor in die kerk was bergblomme wat die goue verf van die orrelpyp-versierings verder beklemtoon het.

Buite langs die hoeksteen was 'n rangskikking wat die bou van die kerk uit die

(Vervolg op p 10)

Karoo Tourism Under Threat

- Linda Jaquet -

Tourism in the Karoo faces some severe challenges due to the impact of the global recession and a downward trend in both international and South African tourists. This was the thought-provoking scenario outlined by Judy Maguire – respected palaeontologist, tour guide and stalwart of Prince Albert's heritage scene - at the Prince Albert Tourism AGM at the Jans Rautenbach Schouwburg on 2 August.

Judy proposed that the Karoo-based tourism industry look at tourism in a new, modern way and suggested a focus on the unique experiences that the Karoo offers visitors: space, scenery, silence and stars. She proposed looking at themed tourism because her research confirmed what other experts

had found, namely that that visitors to the Karoo want to learn not just look. The people, architecture, geology, history and archaeology and culture of the region are examples of what the Karoo offers that is special. She also recommended promoting niche tourism, a good example being the culinary tourism market, which is growing worldwide.

At the well-attended AGM the Tourism EXCO agreed to continue for a further year in office and to work actively to identify members who could succeed them next year. Outgoing Chair, Di Steyn, was hopeful that there would be a better working relationship between the Tourism Association and the new Municipal Council and that this would lead to the signing of a Service Level Agreement between the two parties. This agreement has been outstanding for several years.

A Christian Perspective: Old but still active

- Vic Tickner -

Caleb was forty years old when he and eleven others went to spy out the land of Canaan. Ten of them made the heart of the people melt with fear. Only Caleb and Joshua said they could take the land because God was on their side. Because of the others' lack of faith God made Israel wander in the desert for 40 years. While spying the land Caleb had seen a tract of land that he dreamed he would one day own; this dream he kept alive for 40 years. The day came when he said to Joshua: "I am 85 years old today. I am still as strong as I was on the day Moses sent me; as my strength was then so my strength is now, for war and for going out and for coming in. Now then give me this hill country which the Lord spoke of that day."

On the farm Scheepersrus just outside Prince Albert is a pear tree that was fully grown during the Boer War. One part of

the trunk of the tree is hollow. During the war the Boers captured some English soldiers and there was nowhere they could imprison them. The only thing left was to disarm them; this they did by putting their rifle barrels one at a time in the hollow of the tree and bending them, thus making them useless. The farm is now owned by Willie Vorster who told me that in September the whole tree is full of blossoms and still bears fruit. The tree must now be over 150 years old.

There are many Christians who are over eighty years old and who are still very active in the church, but unfortunately there are more who when they reach the age of sixty and retire from secular work also retire from church work. Today the church needs the experience and wisdom of the elderly, both men and women. They can still do so much. The two examples here cited one from the Old Testament and one from nature I hope will excite us to do more for the Lord.

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Burgemeester verbind hom tot 'n skoon, veilige dorp

Mev Breytenbach se brief in die Junie 2011 uitgawe van die *Vriend* verwys.

Dit is hartverskeurend om te sien hoe ons mense self verantwoordelik is vir die onwettige storting van vullis. Sommiges wil eenvoudig net nie saam werk nie.

As Munisipaliteit is ons egter daartoe verbind om 'n skoon en veilige omgewing vir die inwoners van Prince Albert daar te stel. Daarom het ons al in alle erns begin om die inwoners aan te moedig om met ons saam te werk om sodoende 'n skoon omgewing daar te stel.

Ons het ook die inwoners versoek om persone wat nog steeds voortgaan met die onwettige storting van vullis aan die Munisipaliteit te rapporteer sodat daar teen die persone opgetree kan word. Ek wil u verseker dat diegene wat hulle hieraan skuldig maak, baie min in getal is. Dit sal dus nie so 'n moeilike proses wees om die skuldiges aan te spreek en die nodige stappe te neem indien persone nie wil saam werk nie.

Ons wil die skrywer verder verseker dat die Wyksraadslede hul samewerking belowe het en dat saam met die Wykskomitees ons daarna gaan streef om 'n skoon omgewing daar te stel.

Laastens wil ek die skrywer en ook andere aanmoedig om idees na die tafel te bring sodat ons verder 'n gesamentlike poging kan aanwend om die probleme hok te slaan.

*Goliath Lottering
Uitvoerende Burgemeester*

Akin to a form of violence

I am currently unaffected by, but concerned about a trend that is emerging

in Prince Albert. As I prepared to write this letter I considered whether I should do the necessary research so that I could be informed about the appropriate rules, regulations and laws. I decided not to go this route because I believe that it is still possible to be considerate and respectful to others, even if the law is on your side.

There are many reasons why those of us who are fortunate enough to relocate to this town do so. For most it has something to do with the magnificent landscape, the beauty of the town, the people and the safety. I personally value the light, the space, the silence, the seclusion and the privacy very much.

When food is nicked from our fridge, it is inconvenient but easily replaceable. When our TV, cell-phone or laptop is stolen it is serious but can be replaced. The same applies to stolen vehicles and other valuable possessions.

However when someone towers above you, invades your outdoor space, takes away your light and robs you of your privacy and seclusion - some of the very reasons for being here, it is practically irreversible and permanent. I am referring to large, double storey houses that are being built on very small properties,

seemingly without any consideration for neighbours.

The main purpose of this letter is to create an awareness of how devastating it can be to your fellow Prince Alberters when you build indiscriminately. I am not against the erection of double storey buildings. Each property is unique in terms of size, elevation, position and the buildings and houses that surround it. Before you build or renovate your home, please consider how it will affect your neighbours and how you would feel if you were in their shoes. If getting a view means robbing your neighbours of their privacy and space, it is, in my opinion akin to a form of violence.

JP Meyer

Traffic Department's positive response

In May I wrote a letter voicing my concern over the lack of speed control and policing of trucks travelling at high speed through the centre of Prince Albert.

Thank you to Mark February of the Prince Albert Traffic Department for his swift response and action in erecting

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appropriate signage at the North and South entrances to Prince Albert indicating restrictions for heavy vehicles. I hope that this will go some way to ensuring that these trucks adhere to the law.

However, I notice that the majority of these trucks continue to ignore these restrictions and travel unchecked through the town. While I do not wish to dilute my gratitude for the positive response to this issue, I will suggest that it is not enough to merely erect signs, but the restrictions have to be physically enforced.

I do hope that this letter will be seen, not as a criticism, but as a constructive dialogue in attempting to resolve the issue for the benefit of all our safety.

Jeremy Freemantle

Aan Pa Herman

Pa, dit was nou die dag jou eerste verjaarsdag weg van ons.

Daar is so baie dinge wat ons weer met jou sou wou deel.

Jou plaas lyk so mooi, die veld is pimpel en pers van die veldblomme, die granaatbosse lag goudgeel en self die doringbome lyk effens optimisties.

Die damme is stampvol en die eerste apelpose is in vol blom. Die bobbejane het ongelukkig nog nie hul aptyt vir die geplante wortels en uie verloor nie.

Die plaasmanne lag nog elke nou en dan oor 'n sê-ding of een van jou stories. Ons hoor natuurlik baie: "Ja maar die Oubaas sou dit so..."

Sjoe, die nuwe voorman en buite direkteur hou ons op ons tone (ek het altyd gedog dit werk andersom.) As ons nie oppas nie kan die plaas net dalk netjies raak.

Jou kaste het nog rooi wyn in, maar ek, René en Jaco begin dit so stadig baasraak, Ma is van geen hulp nie, soos jy weet, arme vrou drink mos net koffie.

Sanet vlieg die land vol (begin met Shoreline 2) maar sê die dam huisie bly haar hart se punt, net so om die draai van haar pa se rusplek.

Die kleinkinders is te oulik, so vir die eerste uur. Boetie het onlangs leer staan en piepie, soos 'n groot man, en nou is geen plant of klip veilig op die werf nie. Annah is te pragtig met haar *French bob* en "Weet jy.." gesprekkies. Die twee vra nou die dag wanneer jy klaar by Liewe Jesus gekuier het.

Ons almal mis jou vreeslik, maar meer as die gemis is die dankbaarheid: vir al die goeie tye wat ons gehad het; vir die geleentheid om te kan woel en werskaf, om kosbare tyd met vriende en familie te spandeer. Dankie vir jou voorbeeld ou grote.

As Olivier gesin wil ons net weereens almal bedank wat Herman se lewe verryk het, julle is vir ons net so kosbaar.

Pieter Olivier

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Starry Splendour over Prince Albert

- Hans Daehne -

Spring starts in the Southern Hemisphere with the Equinox on 23 September. This is manifested in the night sky where the prominent Spring Constellation of Pegasus high up in the north gives the same seasonal indication. On Earth longer and warmer days already become evident together with the characteristic flowers and blossoms at eye-level.

Pegasus, the flying horse, reminding us how fast time is flying, can easily be identified by four bright stars arranged in a huge square, the Square of Pegasus, representing the body of the horse with its neck extended to the left, westwards. It is one of only a few northern constellations that is in the upright position for us and you should have no difficulty in finding it.

The fast planet Mercury, going around the Sun in 88 days, is a morning object again but because of its closeness to the Sun it will be difficult to observe.

Venus, at magnitude - 3.9, has become the splendid evening star again for an hour long for now but will proceed to shine longer towards the end of the year.

Jupiter (mag. - 2.6) rises earlier this month and will be visible all night.

Saturn is moving closer to the Sun, sets earlier and will become a morning object again in October.

Full Moon is on 12 September and New Moon is on 27 September.

News from beyond Earth:

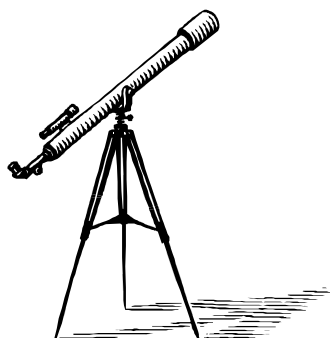
In July space shuttle Atlantis safely returned from its last visit to the International Space Station (ISS) after it delivered a full year's supply of food, water, oxygen and spares. This marked the end of America's thirty-year-old space-shuttle programme. Low-Earth orbit space travel and the resupplying of the ISS will be left to private enterprise while NASA will now concentrate on missions to Mars.

What the astronauts do in the last moments before returning to Earth is fascinating: an hour before landing the astronauts have to do "fluid loading" which entails drinking large amounts of liquid and taking salt tablets to ease the adjustment to Earth's gravity.

To initiate re-entry into our atmosphere the space shuttle has to fire both engines on its tail for a de-orbit burn of three minutes and 16 seconds producing 3000 kg of thrust of braking power. For this manoeuvre the space-shuttle is in a tail-forward, heads-down position which has to be changed soon afterwards into the re-entry configuration of heads-up, nose-forward with the nose 40 degrees up to expose the black tile protected belly of Atlantis to the denser layers of our atmosphere. The space-shuttle's belly heats up to 1000°C as it is still travelling at 25 times the speed of sound or Mach 25 and has to perform four turns over the Pacific ocean to remove the energy the vehicle received during launch and at 3700 km from the runway it still travels at Mach 22. At 110 km from the runway, Atlantis still travelling at Mach 2.5, is now under the manual control of its commander, descending at a rate seven times steeper than that of a commercial airliner. Twin sonic booms announce its arrival to everybody at the runway. With the aid of large parachutes the space shuttle is brought to its final stop.

The International Space Station can regularly be observed over Prince Albert, to find out when, visit:
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FUTURE EVENTS

September 2011

5 September: *Path Out of Poverty* Program, Sydwell Williams Sentrum, 11:00

7 September: Garden Club, Die Dam, 15:00

13 September: Prince Albert Belastingbetalers- & Inwonersvereniging Jaarliksevergadering, Sydwell Williams Sentrum, 18:00

16 September: Bloedskenk, NG Kerkzaal, 11:30 – 14:30

24 September: PACF Heritage Day Walking Tour, 14:00 – 16:00, R25ea. Starts at FP Museum

27 September: Algemene Raadsvergadering

Oktober 2011

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21/22 Oktober: Landbouskou

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**Verkoop ! Drie Erwe...**

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**Verkoop ! Drie Erwe...**

Drie erwe teen die dorpskoppie aan een slim belegger wat weet waar daar nog groei in die mark is.

Hier gaan drie baie mooi Karoo-huisies gebou word... vir die vreedsame verblyf waarna elke stedeling smag.

**Uitsigerwe raak skaars ...**

Daar is maar net soveel erwe met 'n uitsig soos hierdie - en die tyd loop uit: 1,100 m² teen die dorpskoppie. R795,000

**Prentjiemooi dubbelverdieping**

'n Eenheid bo en 'n eenheid onder - buitetrapp. Alles baie netjies. Twee erwe, volop vrugtebome en uitsig. Bly bo; verhuur onder. R895,000

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**Klaarstroom is op die map...**

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Die kategesekinders het hulle deel bygedra om die neersit van die hoeksteen in Oktober 1860 in herinnering te roep. Die lied wat hulle gesing het, was: *'Liewe Vader ons sê dankie vir die kerkgebou van ons/ook die orrel en die hoeksteen het ons als van U gekry.'* En daar is sommer heelwat foto's geneem van die oues en jonges rondom die hoeksteen om

so later weer hierdie feesgeleentheid in die geskiedenis te onthou.

Die heerlike verversings en tee het almal 'n geleentheid gegee om weer oor die ou dae te gesels met die gaste wat spesiaal vir die dag saam met ons kom feesvier het. Daar was predikanteseuns, eggenotes, die jonges en talle vriende van Prince Albert, sommige wat van ver gekom het om die dag saam met die gemeente te kuier.

Die Feeskommissie wil graag almal hartlik bedank wat saam met ons hierdie feesdag 'n werklikheid gemaak het deur bydraes, hulp, entoesiasme en hulle teenwoordigheid. Mag die Naam van die Here daardeur verheerlik word!

PA Chamber of Commerce signs up 45 new members

Richard Waterston, Chairperson of the Prince Albert Chamber of Commerce, has announced that the Annual General Meeting of the Chamber will be held at the Swartberg Hotel at 13:00 on Wednesday, 5 October and has called on all businesses and business people for their support.

Waterston told the *Friend* that the Chamber's first goal was to increase its membership: "With the help of Renu-Karoo and their students earlier this year we signed up 45 new members. We also decided to waive membership fees and instead we will charge only R10 for each entry in our *Prince Albert A to Z* guide. As some establishments fall into more than one category, it will cost R10.00 per listing."

"We are currently working on the new edition to be published later this year. If there is one person that understands the amount of work and dedication this requires it is Sally Arnold who alone produced the current edition, with the help of the Tourism Office."

Waterston called on all people and businesses that wished to be in the *A to Z* and at the same time confirm their membership of the Chamber, to provide their details including full name of the business owner or manager, telephone and fax numbers, physical and e-mail addresses and if applicable, a website. Updated details and payments can be done at the Tourism Office or at Renu-Karoo (Sue Dean), Pam Golding Properties (Eric Ahrens), Seeff (Yolande Singery) or at Karoo View (Richard Waterston).

Waterston also asked those who would be attending to confirm their attendance for catering purposes to Sue Dean of Renu-Karoo on 0827700206 or e-mail: renukaroo@gmail.com and apologies to Eric Ahrens of Pam Golding on 0721848518 or via email: peppertree@vodamail.co.za.

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The Museum Mouse Reports

Hello, my name is Ma Strepie. I live at 42 Kerk Street. The humans call it their museum. A museum is a place where people exhibit goodies their ancestors used so that their youngsters don't forget what real life is all about when they take a break from the Internet.

I moved in here a few weeks ago after I heard that the *Streepmuis Cultural Foundation* identified this spot as ideal to study human culture. I'm busy taking notes on the subject. Don't know yet if I'll turn them into an academic paper, fiction or faction. My research is about the human beings linked to the museum and the exhibits.

There are quite a few people involved in running the museum. Maryna Davies keeps it spotless and Karel Ontong does the garden. Then there are about 15 volunteers. Nearly all of them are women. Haven't worked out why yet.

As everybody knows, humans are not as well adapted to the environment as us *Strepies* and this winter has been very cold. Because of their love of fur humans have to cover themselves with *lappe*. From one of my favourite strategic watch spots – between the bottles of witblits on the top shelf near the entrance – I watch the volunteers adding layers or taking them off depending on the temperature. The average number of *lappe* layers during a cold spell is four.

The volunteers buzz open the door for visitors, make them feel welcome and collect the entrance fee. (Prince Albert *mense* get in for free). Most volunteers ask the visitors if they want a short introduction. They are told why Prince Albert is where it is, about the history of the museum and who Fransie Pienaar was.

After that visitors follow the arrows and carry on on their own. I often amuse myself doing that too. The exhibits are very well documented and I learn a lot. However, there is one volunteer who gives a one-and-a-half hour guided tour, jawohl! The others are also very knowledgeable, especially about their favourite objects.

When there are no visitors the volunteers pass the time doing various things: reading, *blokkiesraaisels*, making tea, knitting, doing tapestry, talking on their cell phones, making more tea, drawing sketches, and talking to the numerous locals who pop in. When the movie/snakeman comes I know it is Wednesday and when people bring pancakes, it's Saturday.

Fortunately I was brought up a polyglot: *Streep-lingo*, English and Afrikaans, so I can understand what the humans are talking about and that's when you hear what's going on in *die dorp*. *Genade!* Maybe I should write a novel. By the way, the younger streepmuis generations are learning Mandarin. Our Department of Education has identified this as the language of the future.

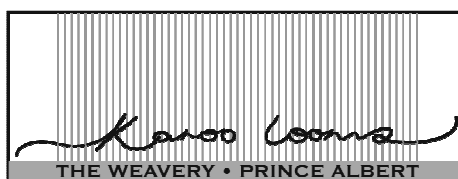
There is a chief lady, Lydia Barrella, who comes in nearly every day, spends a lot of time in the office and knows just about everything. I think she deserves a medal, though she'd probably prefer regular funding for the museum.

For amusement I invite my friends and we have a ball dancing on the keys of the four old organs. One has a candleholder so that you can read music when it's dark. Candles, that's what humans used in the good old days when there wasn't talk yet of nuclear power stations or fracking. Strepie quality of life will go to hell if explosions five kilometres into the ground are going to shake up our burrows. But I'm working on a plan. I'll call on all the Strepies in the Karoo to congregate on a nice flat area covered in vegetation after the rains and we'll munch our way through the *bossies*, *blomme*, vygies and grasses and when we're finished you'll be able to read: "Fracking the Karoo = Taboo" written in the veld visible from outer space.

I must sign off now otherwise I'll never finish my contribution for the 30x40.

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L to R: Derek Thomas, Lydia Barrella, Walter Cloete (the owner, with the plaque) and Stef Theunissen
(Photo: Christine Thomas)

The abundance of Karoostyle architecture is the hallmark of Prince Albert, apart from its rich heritage of other styles. It is therefore not surprising that townsfolk would not allow the demolition of a severely damaged Karoostyle cottage in Church Street, which displayed all the elements of its authentic origins. Not even the

full brunt of a fallen gum tree, nor the weathering over the years of the damaged the clay walls (opgekleide mure) and its brakdak could remove the soul of this extraordinary house.

No. 86 Church Street lives again and has been given the name 'Aandblom'.

In the January issue of the *Friend*, an article appeared about the cottage and its owner and restorer, who with the building skills of Kosie Stols and his team, embarked on a seemingly impossible task of restoration. Walter Cloete's attention to detail, driven by his commitment to the period from which the cottage originates, is a tribute to his personal crafting skills and abiding affection for this Cinderella of all buildings. The Prince Albert Cultural Foundation's plaque for conservation of heritage was awarded to Walter, for his caring in returning No. 86 to its former state as a fine example of the Karoo style, and also recognises the work of Kosie Stols.

At an informal ceremony on 6 August, Walter was handed an inscribed brass plaque to display on the building as a mark of his monumental effort in restoring the dignity of No. 86, and a building that enriches the diversity of the town's architectural styles.



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Standing from left to right: Ennie Lewis, Mix; Kato Mallies, PA Library; Lisa Bon, African Relish; Manfred Andries, The Olive Branch; Grieta Morris, Onse Rus Guesthouse; Sarita Ambraal, Lah-di-dah; Henrico Bezuidenhout, The Olive Branch; Caroline van der Ross, Renu-Karoo; Johannes Masoes, De Bergkant Lodge; Margie Pieterse, Café Albert; Miriam Paulsen, Acacia Cottage; Megan Hannies, Hoërskool Zwartberg learner and PA Tourism trainee; Hennie Botma, Gordon's Drinkstore; Elizabeth Minnies, Gay's Dairy; Hendry Olivier, The Olive Branch

At the end of July twenty-one Prince Alberters attended a two-day SA Host training workshop at the Swartberg Hotel. The workshop was sponsored by the Western Cape Provincial Government and organised by the Central Karoo District Municipality's Tourism official, Johannes Jonkers and Zelia Mullins of the Prince Albert Tourism Office.

SA Host is a customer service training programme for everyone working in the service industry. The SA Host Mission is to foster the spirit of unconditional, collective hospitality in South Africa by improving the service standard nationally through training, and creating awareness of the importance of the individual's role in their place of work and as ambassadors for their community and for South Africa.

The training programme is designed for people who deal with the public and who need to know how to deal with customers' concerns positively and constructively. The programme is not only for people in

the 'frontline' but also supervisors and managers, and those working in accounts and administration. Another plus is that the programme suits both private and government sectors. Successful workshop participants are awarded a certificate and a badge, which identifies them as "SA Hosts" - people who are committed to providing excellent service.

Megan Hannies, a trainee tourism officer at the Prince Albert Tourism Office who is a Grade 12 learner at Hoërskool Zwartberg, told the *Friend*: "I found the workshop both professionally and personally enriching and got a lot more out of it than I expected to. I can really recommend the course to everyone involved in tourism in Prince Albert." Yvette Breedts, the owner of *Lah-di-dah* commented that she was delighted at how both of her employees who had participated in the workshop had gained more confidence and were more aware of what good service was all about.

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A colourful clean-up campaign

- Ailsa Tudhope -

The July issue of the *Friend* featured two letters expressing concern about the litter problem on the outskirts of town. Both writers spoke about the need for a clean-up before the 250-year celebrations are launched next year. The responsibility for keeping Prince Albert clean and tidy rests on every resident so it's interesting to note that two of the proposed activities for 2012 should encourage everyone to keep Prince Albert neat and tidy.

John McKenna is leading the way with a dustbin project and is determined the bins will be in place by January. The second idea forms part of the education and entertainment programme planned for our schools in February, when younger children can participate in a colouring in competition to develop a sense of pride in their surroundings.

John is working closely with the Municipality and has held two meetings with our Mayor, Cllr Goliath Lottering, to discuss the dustbin project. The Council



Clive Heyne and the de Queekvalleij dustbin
(Photo: Ailsa Tudhope)

has shown its support by promising to supply labour to help prepare and erect the dustbins. In the meantime they are assisting by sourcing a number of 44-gallon drums. John has approached local artists, schools and Christine Thomas' children's art group to gather a team to convert them into "works-of-art", which will do double duty as dustbins.

The logo will reflect the common theme, celebrating 250 years since the farm Kweekvallei was established. Some bins will be painted to reflect the history of the building outside which they are situated, while others will highlight special features and aspects of our town, as seen through the eyes of our children and artists.

All this costs money, so John has started a campaign to help fund the project. Half the bins have already been sponsored at R50 each. By January 2012 approximately sixty colourful swivel-mounted bins will be installed throughout Prince Albert. Besides reducing the litter problem they will also serve as a local art exhibition that all residents and visitors can enjoy.

A prototype dustbin has been completed. The logo, designed with assistance from Ilse Schütten and Lorna Verran, is a Prince Albert Gable. Clive Heyne, the inaugural artist, added his touch with a reproduction of Robert Gordon's 1778 painting of de Queekvalleij. This bin will be installed at Gay's Dairy, the site of the original farm buildings. Two similar bins by Clive Heyne will be installed outside the Municipal offices.

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Brett the Vet: Twitter

Eavesdropping nearly always raises a smile and feelings of frustration from gleaning incomplete information. While overhearing a flock of perched pied starlings chatting all afternoon in the old ash tree I found myself engrossed in their lively conversation that ebbed and flowed melliflously.

Sometimes a single voice stated an opinion, and then another would answer back and perhaps get several responses. At times the party got very excited and started talking all at once until a sharp interjection delivered with an air of authority shut up the whole bunch momentarily. From time to time a few birds would fly off and others arrived. And so it went on for ages: crescendo, decrescendo, forte, pianissimo, solo, ensemble, challenges, retorts, musings, gossip, nit-picking, laughter and tears.

Roberts' song elucidation for the species skwee-skwee-skwee, skwik, skweer-skweer, skik-skik', chirrup-chirrup etc. seemed hopelessly inadequate. Ag shame, we poor humans oversimplify our perception of animal communication to the point of embarrassment. The complex array of sounds emanating from these birds, their language, clearly understood amongst them is lost on most of us.

Trying to decipher unfamiliar banter reminds me of a trip to Thailand where I became fascinated with the Thai language. At first the sound of Thai was

gobbledygook to me. Later I understood the expressionistic nature of their communication, and that one word could have a dozen meanings depending on the tone applied. I gradually became accustomed to the patterns and began to interpret some meaning. It is similar with birdsong and other delicate animal languages. Piet-my-vrou or hadeda may at first sound like they are repeating the same call and yet each rendition varies in barely perceptible ways to us. These subtle variations are the key to overcoming the complexities of talking with other animal species on earth.

Animals don't just make sounds for the sake of it. Clear communication is always the reason. If most of us couldn't be bothered to learn another human language, how can we begin to comprehend what the animals are trying to say? When the majority of people don't know how to listen to others speak in their own tongue how can animals' voices be heard, let alone understood? It's not always the words that matter, but the sound of loneliness, joy, enthusiasm, hunger, pain, sadness, or love emanating that remains the same whether you're a mouse squeaking or Judi Dench reciting Shakespeare.

The legendary Egyptian singer Umm Kulthum, also known as the 'Star of the East' became famous for her extended songs that would continue at length, sometimes for hours, often repeating a line up to fifty times, but never in the same way twice. With each reiteration she was able to

emphasize different aspects of the poetic line and impart new meaning by altering her voice tone, volume, colour, pitch, or duration of the notes. Much like an olive thrush I singled out in the dawn chorus the other day who made an enchanting, continuously varied evocation of the emerging light.

Beethoven was criticized for including the almost literal sound of a cuckoo in his sixth symphony. But these obvious notes could also just be the key for insights into the myriad of harmonies and meanings portrayed in the composition that appeal to the enlightened many, where obscure tunes are appreciated by too few. So when Polly the parrot mimics "Hello!" pathetic as her concession to the lack of human imagination may be, there is poignancy in her timing that may just tweak the consciousness of the guffawing pranksters who believe that animals don't speak.

And when it seems like there is no audible sound, we still can't claim that animals are mute because we have forgotten how to fathom those unexclaimed melodies. But we are reminded of their existence by not being able to hear the better part of bat, dolphin, or elephant communication.

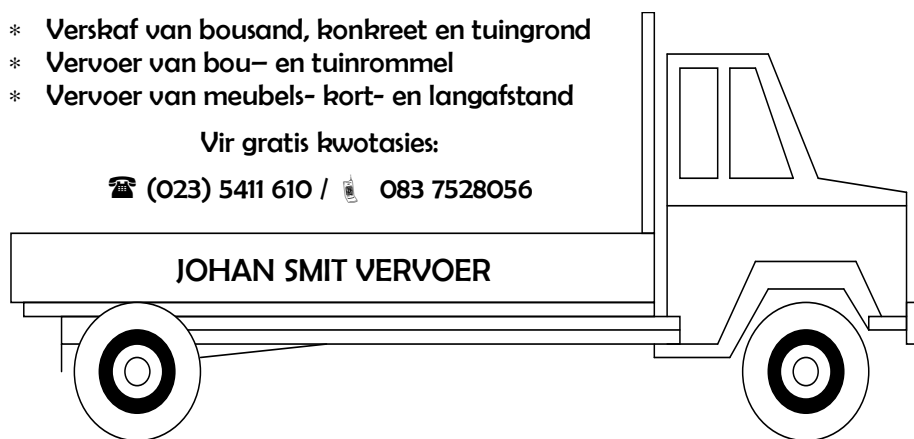
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Kennis geskied hiermee ingevolge Artikel 15(1)(a)(ii) van Ordonnansie 15 van 1985 dat die Raad 'n aansoek vanaf **ME. CECIEL OLCKERS** ontvang het vir 'n Afwyking van die dorpsaanlegskema.

Naam: ME. CECIEL OLCKERS

Adres: KERKSTRAAT 70

Erf No: 1507

Doel van Aansoek: DIE BEDRYF VAN 'N GESKENK EN DECOR WINKEL MET 'N TEETUIN

Nadere besonderhede lê ter insae by die Munisipale Kantoor, Kerkstraat 33, Prins Albert, gedurende kantoor-ure.

Skriftelike besware, indien enige teen die voorstelle, tesame met redes, moet die ondergetekende voor of op **VRYDAG, die 23ste SEPTEMBER 2011** bereik.

Munisipale Kantoor	H METTLER
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PRINS ALBERT	17 Augustus 2011
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PRINCE ALBERT MUNICIPALITY

NOTICE NUMBER 25/2011
PROPOSED DEPARTURE OF
TOWN PLANNING SCHEME
ERF 1507, 70 CHURCH STREET, PRINCE ALBERT
MS. CECIEL OLCKERS

Notice is hereby given in terms of Section 15(1)(a)(ii) of Ordinance 15 of 1985 that the Council has received an application from **MS. CECIEL OLCKERS** for Departure from the Town Planning scheme.

Name: ME. CECIEL OLCKERS

Adres: 70 CHURCH STREET

Erf No: 1507

Reason for application: TO PRACTISE A GIFT AND DECOR SHOP WITH A TEA GARDEN

Details of the proposals are available for inspection in the Municipal Offices, 33 Church Street, Prince Albert, during office hours.

Written objections, if any, to the proposals together with reasons, must be lodged with the undersigned not later than **FRIDAY, the 23rd of SEPTEMBER 2011**.

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PRINS ALBERT MUNISIPALITEIT

KENNISGEWING NOMMER 26/2011
VOORGESTELDE ONDERVERDELING
ERF 1844, h/v MARK- EN HOSPITAALSTRATE
PRINS ALBERT
N D VOLMINK & J R CLAASSEN

Kennis geskied hiermee ingevolge Artikel 24(1) van Ordonnansie 15 van 1985 dat die Raad 'n aansoek van **N D VOLMINK & J R CLAASSEN** ontvang het vir die **VOORGESTELDE ONDERVERDELING VAN:**

ERF 1844, h/v MARK- EN HOSPITAALSTRATE, PRINS ALBERT

Nadere besonderhede lê ter insae by die Munisipale Kantoor, Prins Albert, gedurende kantoor-ure.

Skriftelike besware, indien enige teen die voorstel, tesame met redes, moet die ondergetekende voor of op **VRYDAG, die 23ste SEPTEMBER 2011** bereik.

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PRINCE ALBERT MUNICIPALITY

NOTICE NUMBER 26/2011
PROPOSED SUBDIVISION
ERF 1844, c/o MARK- AND HOSPITAL STREETS
PRINCE ALBERT
N D VOLMINK & J R CLAASSEN

Notice is hereby given in terms of Section 24(1) of Ordinance 15 of 1985 that the Council has received an application from **N D VOLMINK & J R CLAASSEN** for the **SUBDIVISION** of:

ERF 1844, c/o MARK- AND HOSPITAL STREETS, PRINCE ALBERT

Details of the proposal are available for inspection at the Municipal Offices, Prince Albert, during office hours.

Written objection, if any, to the proposal together with reasons, must be lodged with the undersigned not later than **FRIDAY, the 23rd of SEPTEMBER 2011**.

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Wie is wie by ons markie?

- Barbara Castle -

Markies is vanaf 1855 reeds 'n kenmerk van Prince Albert nadat Goewerneur George Grey toestemming daartoe gegee het. Met die jare het interessante karakters gekom en gegaan en saam met hulle die produkte: pannekoek, bevrore lam, gebreide teemussies, verskeie *bloomers* en wildspasteie om maar 'n paar te noem. 'n Klompie vasbyters het gebly en geniet vandag nog die lewendige besigheid en vriendelike geselsie by die Saterdagoggend-markie in Kerkstraat.

Weef- en Wolwerkstal

Heerlike brode, tee, koffie, pannekoek, plante, vars groente, konfyt, olyfprodukte en meer is wat te wagte is op 'n boere-mark; die verrassing kom in 'n stalletjie met pragtig geweefde tafelmatties en lopers... alles die werk van Anna Burger.

"Tannie Anna" se stalletjie bestaan reeds 17 jaar. Maar haar storie het begin na die tweede wêreld oorlog. Destyds het die boere baie swaar gekry omdat daar droogte was, en daar net geen geld was vir wintersklere en komberse nie. Die destydse Department Huisvlyt het kursusse gereël om vrouens te leer om met die wol van hulle skape te spin en te weef. Die instruksies het met al die nodige apparaat - onder andere spinwiele en "groot" weefstoele waarop komberse geweef kon word - van dorp na dorp geëis.

Die 16-jarige Anna het so 'n kursus in haar geboorteplek, Fraserburg, bygewoon. Vir die eerste twee weke het sy geleer hoe om wol te was met seepsoda, dit te kam en te spin, stringe te maak en die wol weer te was voordat daar daarmee gebrei of geweef kon word. Die derde week het hulle op vloermodel weefstoele geleer hoe om komberse en lopers te weef. Die kursusgangers kon toerusting bestel en haar pa het vir haar 'n spinwiel gekoop - dit was van gewone hout gemaak maar het goed gewerk!

Na skool is sy na Touwsrivier waar sy as ontvangsdame by die Douglas Hotel gewerk het, en daar ontmoet sy haar man,



Anna Burger (Foto: Sandy Farmer)

'n dieselwerktuigkundige, en hulle trou in 1948. In 1953 is hulle na Bulawayo in die dan Rhodesië en drie jaar huur hulle 'n plaas naby Gutu in Fort Victoria se wêreld waar Anna weer begin spin.

In die vroeë 60s het sy en haar man besluit om 'n wewery op hulle plaas te stig en het vir weefstoele en spinwiele geadverteer. Sy het tussen 10 en 30 vroue opgelei as wewers en spinners wat komberse en gordyne op ses 1,5meter wye weefstoele gemaak het.

In 1981 kom hulle met groot moeite met 'n yslike vragmotor en sleepwa volgepak met hul aardse besittings, terug in Suid-Afrika. Anna en haar man is na Prince Albert waar haar ouers toe gewoon het. Op die dorp stig hulle Die Ou Wewery in die ou Busstasiegebou (nou die *Lazy Lizard*). Hulle het gou 'n spin- en 'n weefspan opgelei en begin om wolmatte en komberse te weef. Ongelukkig het haar man se toestand versleg en kort voordat hy oorlede is, het hulle besluit om die wewery te verkoop.

Anna het besluit dat sy nog wil weef en het 'n meter wye *counter balance Glimakra* bestel. Die weefstoel word nog amper elke dag gebruik om haar puik tafelmatties en lopers te weef. Sy gebruik deesdae sintetiese drade omdat hulle lig is om te versend, en dus baie gewild is onder oor-

sese toeriste. Deesdae werk Anna en haar broer van sonop tot sononder om hulle unieke handwerk te maak, op die weefstoel en met hekel en breiwerk.

Die beste ding van hul stalletjie is: "Die mense! Die mense!" het Tannie Anna vir my gesê. "As toeriste hoor dat 'n oud Rhodesiër 'n stal-eienaar is, wil hul my graag kom besoek en praat oor die lewe in daardie wonderlike juweel-land." *The Weavery* bestaan nog in Prince Albert alhoewel dit reeds tweekeer verkoop is. Tans is dit oorkant die Museum in Kerkstraat geleë.

Tydens ons wintermaande verkoop Tannie Anne baie handskoene, 'beanies', kleurvolle komberse en bedsokkies. As jy gedurende die week iets wil koop, bel Anna gerus op of 023 5411 613 en maak 'n draai om haar te besoek by haar huis.

Met dank aan Joan Milton van die Wewersgilde van Pretoria. Haar kontakbesonderhede is 083 679 1829 of 012 991 1052 of e-pos: jpmilton@worldonline.co.za

COUNSELLING

Do you need to talk to someone? Do you need your child to talk to someone?

Contact Maruschka Erasmus: BA in Human and Social Studies (Unisa) and BA Hons in Psychology specializing in early childhood development and child psychology on **082 411 9321**

Children and adults are welcome.
Consultation fee on request.

BERADING

Het u iemand nodig om mee te praat? Het u iemand nodig om met u kind te praat?

Kontak Maruschka Erasmus: BA in Menslike en Sosiale Studies (Unisa) en BA Hons met spesialisering in vroeë kinderontwikkeling en kindersielkunde (Unisa) by **082 411 9321**

Beide volwassenes en kinders is welkom.
Konsultasiefooi op aanvraag.

Latest Municipal Fire-fighting Equipment

- Hugh Forsyth -

For some time there have been discussions, enquiries but not many answers concerning the Municipality's ability to deal with a fire. So the good news is that some progress is being made in the Municipality's fire-fighting readiness.

The first sign is an attractive and efficient machine on wheels with a 50 litre red tank and a 300 bar pressure cylinder. A sort of a giant fire extinguisher similar to those seen on walls in office buildings and the like.

The main tank is filled with water and a foaming agent. Then when the nozzle gun, at the end of a long hose, is activated a powerful stream of foam is shot out... and can be aimed anywhere. Foam is an ideal fire-fighting agent as it smothers the fire more effectively than water.

This new-on-the-market and very nifty device, known as the Compressed Air Foam System or CAFS, will not douse a large fire but is ideal for small emergencies



The Municipality's Henry Lekay demonstrates the power and capacity of CAFS
(Photo: Sandy Farmer)

like a burning rubbish heap, a vehicle, a kitchen or a small building. It is at present in a van but will soon be mounted on a Ford Ranger bakkie on which there will also be a water tank, a high-pressure pump and a hose. All of these can act as a quick response vehicle with twin spraying capability.

Soon to be readied is a tanker truck carrying 6000 litres of water plus a pump and a hose. This tanker will be able to replenish the smaller tank on the Ford Ranger as well as fight a fire itself.

Nobody wants a fire but if there is one, it seems that we are now better equipped to fight it.

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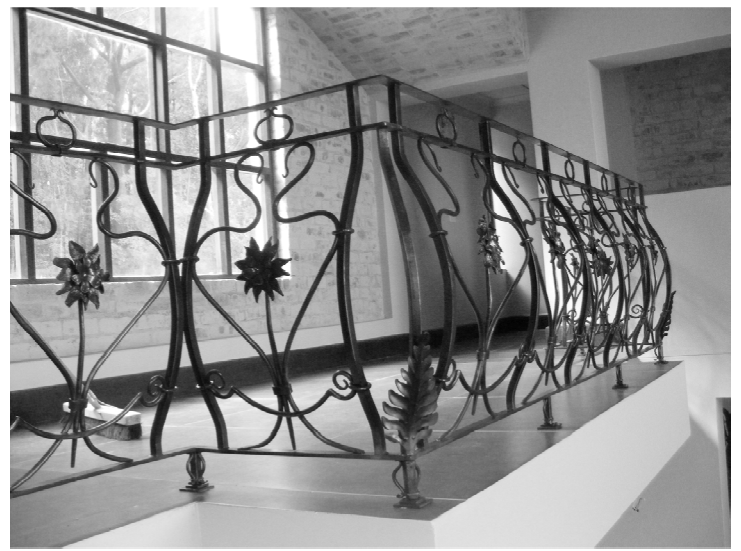
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~ Vanuit die Raadsaal ~

Uitstaande dissiplinêre sake

Die vorige Hoof-Finansiële Beamp- te (HFB) se dissiplinêre verhoor is afgehandel en 'n finale besluit sal met die volgende Raadsitting geneem word op grond van die bevindinge van die dissiplinêre verhoor.

Die Raad wil inwoners verseker dat ons ons bes doen om die saak teen die vorige HFB so spoedig moontlik af te handel. Daar is egter bepaalde prosesse soos die slotvertoë wat aan die Voorsittende Be- ampte gerig moet word wat eers afgehan- del moet word. Die Voorsittende Beamp- te sal dan sy diskresie gebruik om die finale uitspraak te lewer.

Wat die saak teen die vorige Munisipale Bestuurder betref, het die Raad 'n proku- reursfirma aangestel om die saak te han- teer. Die prokureursfirma is Raubenhei- mer Prokureurs in George en ons sal binnekort 'n uiteensetting van hul koste ontvang. Hulle is tans besig om alle rele- vante dokumentasie te bestudeer en sal die Raad eersdaags inlig watter stappe geneem kan word.

(NS As gevolg van die nie afhandeling van die saak (HFB) en die voorbereiding van die slotvertoë, kan ek op hierdie stadium nie die inhoud aan die gemeen- skap kommunikeer nie.)

Nuwe Munisipale Bestuurder

Die aanstelling van 'n Munisipale Bestuurder is een van die belang- rikste prioriteite vir die Raad en ons ver- trou dat die proses so spoedig moontlik, binne die wet, afgehandel sal word. Die sluitingsdatum vir aansoeke was Vrydag, 5 Augustus. Ons vertrou dat ons met die verskyning van die volgende uitgawe van die *Vriend* moontlik die proses al afgehandel het.

Vrouedag

Die Raad wil alle vroue – in beson- der die rolspelers wat help organi- seer het - hartlik bedank vir hul bydrae met die viering van Vrouedag. Vroue is toegesprek deur BADISA, PAAK, SAPD, DKD en Departement Justisie waarna vroue heerlike Sport in die mid-

dag beoefen het. Die Burgemeester het 'n bedrag van R4000 uit sy Diskresionêre Fonds aan Vrouedag toegeken. Ons wil die gemeenskap verder verseker dat die Wyksraadslede in samewerking met die Speaker sal poog om te alle tye met die rolspelers saam te werk om alle spesiale dae nog meer spesiaal te maak.

Werkseeping

Die Raad bly steeds alle werklose persone in die Gemeenskap aan- moedig om hul name op die databasis by die Munisipaliteit te registreer. Daar sal streng vanaf die databasis gewerk word in terme van Werkseeping.

Wykskomitees

Onder leiding van die Speaker is ons tans hard besig met die stigting van die Wyks- komitees. Ons glo dat daar deur middel van die Wykskomitees beter kommunika- sie tussen die inwoners en die Raad sal wees. Alle Wykskomitees moet teen einde September 2011 gefinaliseer wees.

Forums

Gedurende September sal ons poog om die Sport- en Jeugforums van die Munisipale area weer te aktiveer om sodoende 'n platform te skep waardeur sportklubs en jeugdiges hul probleme kan bespreek en kan deurvoer na die Raad. Samewerking vanaf die verskillende sportklubs asook jeugtakke gaan baie belangrik wees.

Munisipale Rekening

Ons wil graag alle inwoners aanmoe- dig om hul maandelikse dienste so getrou as moontlik te betaal. Indien u probleme ondervind, voel asseblief vry om die Munisipaliteit te kontak om die nodige reëlins te tref. Saam kan ons hierdie pragtige dorp bou tot een van die beste van sy soort in Suid Afrika.

Baie dankie ook aan alle inwoners wat so gereeld hul verpligtinge nakom. Die Raad waardeur die getroue betaling van diensterekening.

Goliath Lottering
Uitvoerende Burgemeester

Raads- en Komitee- vergaderings oop vir die publiek

Die Munisipale Stelselwet bepaal uitdruklik dat beide Munisipale Raads- en komitee vergaderings oop is vir die algemene publiek. Die Munisipa- liteit het die *Vriend* voorsien van 'n ver- gaderings skedule vir die volgende klompie maande. Die Personeel- en Adminis- trasiekomitee en die Arbeidsforum is egter geslote vergaderings en is nie hier- by ingesluit nie. Lesers moet verder ken- nis neem dat die datums van die vergade- rings onderhewig is aan veranderinge.

September 2011

Dinsdag, 6 September

Portefeuljekomitee:

Ontwikkelings-dienste

Woensdag, 7 September

Portefeuljekomitee:

Siviel/Elektriese dienste

Donderdag, 8 September

Portefeuljekomitee: Finansiële dienste

Dinsdag, 27 September

Algemene Raadsvergadering

November 2011

Woensdag, 2 November

Ontwikkelingsdienste

Donderdag, 3 November

Siviel/Elektriese dienste

Vrydag, 4 November

Finansiële dienste

Dinsdag, 22 November

Algemene Raadsvergadering

Januarie 2012

Dinsdag, 10 Januarie

Ontwikkelingsdienste

Woensdag, 11 Januarie

Siviel/Elektriese dienste

Donderdag, 12 Januarie

Finansiële dienste

Dinsdag, 31 Januarie

Algemene Raadsvergadering

Maart 2012

Dinsdag, 6 Maart

Ontwikkelingsdienste

Woensdag, 7 Maart

Siviel/Elektriese dienste

Donderdag, 8 Maart

Finansiële dienste

Dinsdag, 27 Maart

Algemene Raadsvergadering

Driving Licence Testing Centre Open for Business



Executive Mayor Goliath Lottering and receptionist, Jolinda Bouers, congratulate Jephta de Wee on being the first client of the new Driving Licence Testing Centre

Prince Albert's Driving Licence Testing Centre opened its doors to the public on 2 August. Jephta de Wee, who works in the Municipality's Technical Department, happened to be doing maintenance work on the building and

decided there and then to sign up to do his Learner's Licence exam. Mark Februarie, Municipal Traffic Officer and Jolinda Bouers, the Testing Centre's receptionist welcomed him as their first client and told him that he "was making history!". The

Executive Mayor, Cllr Goliath Lottering, was also on hand to wish de Wee luck.

The Municipal Driving Licence Testing Centre is housed in the red brick building opposite the OK Grocer on Adderley Street. At present residents of the Municipal area can write their Learner's Licence exams and do their eye tests there. Februarie told the *Friend* that in future the Centre will conduct Driving Licence Tests and will be able to issue the full range of driver's licences. An area near the building has been identified where the practical driving tests will be held.

The Testing Centre is open on Monday and Friday mornings from 07:45 to 12:30 and on Wednesday morning from 11:30 to 12:30. The Centre is open every weekday afternoon from 13:45 to 15:15 and can be contacted on 023 541-1306.

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KENNISGEWING AAN ALLE WERKGEWERS EN WERKNEMERS IN DIE BOUBEDRYF

Kennis geskied hiermee dat op 5 Augustus 2011 in Staatskoerant No 34494 vasgestelde minimum lone en diensvoorwaardes bevestig is. Dit het in werking getree op 8 Augustus 2011 in die volgende areas:

- **Overberg Distrikmunisipaliteit** uitgesluit Overstrand Plaaslike Munisipaliteit (wat Gansbaai, Hangklip, Kleinmond, Hermanus en Stanford insluit);
- **Sentraal Karoo Distrikmunisipaliteit** (uitgesluit die landdrostdistrik van Beaufort-wes); en
- **Weskus Distrikmunisipaliteit** (uitgesluit die landdrostdistrik van Malmesbury).

Vir enige navrae kontak ons gerus

L. Ontong
Sekretaris

† Herman Olivier – Mens-mens en visionêr



Herman Olivier

- Barbara Gorniak -

Herman Olivier is in 1949 in Beaufort-Wes, waar sy pa 'n skaapboer was, gebore en het daar in die koshuis ingewoon en sy skoolloopbaan voltooi. Na sy weermagtyd is hy na die Grootfontein Landboukollege, maar moes sy studies onderbreek en saam met sy pa, toe 'n volstruisboer in Oudtshoorn-distrik, gaan boer nadat sy ma onverwags aan 'n beroerte oorlede is; hy was op daardie tydstip maar 19 jaar oud.

In 1972 trou hy met sy geliefde Maryna en boer hulle nog 7 jaar op Zebra, waar Pieter en Jaco ook gebore is. Hulle sien daarna 'n plaas met potensiaal in die Prince Albert gebied en koop hom van Dirk Coetzee. Daar was water en damme en met twee vragmotors ry Herman en Maryna agter die stuur, stuk-stuk alles oor die berg aan en in die vallei in: werkers, meubels, implemente, diere... so breek 'n nuwe era aan op die Vrisgevaagd landgoed waar hulle ook gewoon het toe Sanet haar opwagting gemaak het.

Hy ontwikkel die plaas van die grond af – hy het twee seuns en wil vir hulle 'n nalatenskap bou. Daar word draad gespan, volstruise grootgemaak, saad geplant, grondverskuiwing gedoen en die visionêr in hom besef dat die water wat vir vloed besproeiing gebruik word baie beter aangewend kan word met meer effektiewe besproeiing - die toonaange-

wende vrugteplaas word gebore. In die vroeë negentigs word die pakstoor, weereens een van die eerstes in die distrik, gebou. Maryna onthou dat die eerste pakseisoen 10 dae lank was en dat dit so uitputtend was dat dit na 10 jaar gevoel het! Herman was op alle gebiede 'n uitstekende organiseerder en delegerder en die pakseisoen wat nou 10 weke lank is, is vandag baie minder stresvol.

Nie net was hy 'n knap boer nie maar ook 'n gesiene sakeman en reus in die gemeenskapslewe. Hy was op die Klein Karoo Direksie waar hy direkteur van die Prince Albert Distrik was en baie na die dorp se landbou belange kon omsien. Hy was lewenslange lid van die Museum en Landbouskou.

Sy familie en kinders veral, en mense van alle ouderdomme – kollegas, vriende en plaaswerkers - was sy groot liefde en prioriteit; 'n ware kuddedier en natuurlike leier met 'n groot hart en 'n oop hand; 'n werkgewer wat 'n groot verskil in mense se lewens en die dorp se ekonomie gemaak het. Mense is aanhoudend genooi en Maryna het hom getrou bygestaan met die onthaal. Mense is ook nooit met leë hande huis toe gestuur nie. Vleis en veral kratte vol vrugte is vryelik uitgedeel. Herman het vas geglo aan die gesegde dat *al wat 'n mens kan saamneem, dit is wat jy weggee het*.

Die kinders het in Prince Albert skoolgegaan en op die plaas het hy hulle na sy

hand geleer, soveel so, dat daar na sy heengaan vir die buitestaander min in die bestuur van die plaas verander het – hulle gaan aan soos hulle geleer is. Die familie beleef dit natuurlik nie so nie en sou gedurig vir hom wou raad vra of wens dat hy die eerste perskes wat verlede jaar geplant is kon sien of kon sien hoe pragtig die plaas en propvol die damme na die wonderlike reën is.

Met die kinders se doen en late was hy altyd intiem betrokke en het op 'n keer selfs vere uit Rio de Janeiro ingevoer om die *Rio* tema oortuigend op die matriekafskeid wat Sanet moes reël, weer te gee. Een van sy gesegdes aan die kinders was: “met jou *looks* en my brein kan ons vër gaan.”

Tennis was nog 'n groot passie en hy het tydig en ontydig 'n pot gespeel met die kommentaar dat die boerdery *interfere* met sy tennis. Sy humor was onvergeetlik, selfs na die diagnose van sy siekte was sy kwinkslae welbekend. Toe hy al baie verswak het, het Maryna vir hom 'n klokkie langs die bed gesit sodat hy haar kon roep as dit nodig is. Sy was besig in die huis toe die klokkie dringend gelui is. Sy storm wit van die skrik na die kamer en daar sit Herman met 'n breë glimlag en sê hy wou net kyk of sy die klokkie darem sal hoor.

Hy het sy siekte met groot dapperheid en waardigheid gedra en was dikwels die een wat die bemoediging gedoen het. Met sy natuurlike organisasie talent het hy al sy sake perfek in orde gebring en op 1 April 2011, op hulle 39 jarige huweliksherdenking, vir Maryna 'n pragtige, kosbare goue armband laat maak met die volgende inskripsie “Dankie skat vir alles wat jy vir my beteken. Liefde Herman 1 April 2011”

Die ondersteuning van die Prince Albert gemeenskap en veral die konstante bystand van Dr Pete Reinders was vir die Olivier familie van onskatbare waarde.

Sy heengaan op 30 Mei 2011 het 'n groot leemte gelaat en Benjamin Graham se woorde: “Some men plant trees that others sit under” kry nuwe gestalte.

† Sophie Wildschut sterf op 87



Sophie Wildschut



Rhenicia Mooneys lei haar oumagrootjie se stoet

- Denise Ohlson -

Sophia Magdelena Wildschut is in 1924 as 'n nooi Michaels gebore in die distrik Klarstroom, een van veertien kinders. Daarna bly sy op 'n plaas in De Doorns, en trou later met Jan Wildschut, die baie bekende brood-

bakker by die skoolkoshuis in Prince Albert. Vanaf 1964 bly hulle in hul huis in Tweedelaan 33, waar hul enigste kind, Sophia Dorothea, grootword en waar haar man ook in 1985 sterf.

Sophie was 'n trotse en troue werker. Sy het jare lank by Danie en Dolly de Vries

gewerk, later by Okkie Theron en toe by Maxie le Grange. Agt jaar was sy by Huis Kweekvallei, maar is weer terug na Maxie - totdat haar man beroerte gekry het en sy hom tuis moes oppas.

Haar dogter Dora en haar man Bertie Nero het in 1991 besluit om uit Stellenbosch te trek om na Sophie te kom omsien, wat met die jare al swakker geword het. Met haar dood was sy bedlêend en blind. Sy kon wel nie haar enigste agterkleinkind sien nie, maar sy het die voorreg gehad om die ses maande oue baba vas te hou.

Haar liefde vir kinders was groot, en al het sy net twee kleinkinders gehad, kon sy met by die dertig peetkinders spog. "My ma het tog altyd gekeer dat veral die seuntjies nie moet pak kry nie!" vetel Dora. "Sy het ook altyd gewaarsku oor skuld en die kinders vermaan om tog vir die Here te werk."

'n Kerkvrou was sy by uitnemendheid. Haar trofee vir 50 jaar diens by die Moedersunie van die Anglikaanse Kerk sal altyd 'n plekkie in Tweedelaan 33 hê - sy het inderdaad 60 jaar gedien. As wyksdiaken het sy hard gewerk en om te bid was vir haar soos asemhaal. Soggens vroeg, nog voor vyf, wanneer dit nog stil was, en saans, net voor nege, met die radio af en die huis stil, was dit bidtyd.

Sophie sterf op 30 Julie 2011 en word begrawe uit die St John's Gemeente op Saterdag, 6 Augustus. Die groot diens is gelei deur vader Peter Minnaar, wat voor haar dood drie jaar lank elke nagmaal aan Sophie in haar huis bedien het.

Die stoet van haar huis na die kerk en van daar na die begraafplaas in De Beerstraat was 'n aandoenlike gesig, want baie begrafnissangers was op voet - 'n tradisie wat groot gewydheid verleen het aan die laaste eerbetoon aan 'n gesiene moeder en gemeentevrou.

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CINDY EN BINNEMAN SE DROOM KAROO-TROUE



Cindy en Binneman Menigo (Foto: SC Pienaar, Oudtshoorn)

- Tom Claassen -

Cindy, die dogter van Prince Albert se Marinda en Tom Claassen, en Binneman Menigo is op Saterdag, 13 Augustus te Prince Albert in die huwelik bevestig deur Ds Chris Briers. Die diens het in die plaaslike NG Kerk plaasgevind.

Die familie en vriende vertrek na die diens na die plaas Abrahamskraal. Die onthaal is deur Hestie en Johan Fourie op hulle kenmerkende keurige wyse, in hul nuwe *venue* gereël. Die gaste, wat onder andere van KwaZulu-Natal, Kaapstad en Kathu gekom het, is getraakteer soos net hulle dit kan doen. Die bruilof gaste is met hulle aankoms verras met tuisgebak-

te brode, konfyte en nog vele meer. Sappige spitgebraaide Karoo-lam was die hoofgereg en die maaltyd is afgesluit met koffie, koeksisters en natuurlik die troukoek, wat Cindy self gebak het. Daar is geskof-fel, gedans en gekotteljons tot laatnag. Cindy se droom Karoo-troue het waar geword!

Cindy is 'n oud-leerling van die Hoërskool Zwartberg en het na haar matrikulasie gestudeer aan die Tygerberg Kollege, waar sy haarself as sjef bekwaam het. Sy het daarna in die Paarl by Noop Restaurant gewerk. In 2010 het sy by UNISA ingeskryf vir 'n onderwys diploma. Ten spyte van 'n kanker diagnose en operasie, het sy verlede jaar al haar vakke geslaag en is sy sedert 1 Junie as lektrise by Malmesbury Kollege werksaam.

Binneman se ouers is Ferdinand en Marlene Menigo. Hy het in die Paarl grootgeword en skoolgegaan. Na skool het hy by die KaapseTechnikon studeer terwyl hy vir ASLA Konstruksie gewerk het. Hy werk nog steeds vir die firma as siviele konstruksie voorman en tans werk hulle te Piketberg. Die paartjie is woonagtig in Wellington.

A MAGICAL WEDDING FOR MARYKE AND MARCEL



Maryke and Marcel Deacon of George wed in

Marcel & Maryke Deacon het op 9 Julie in Prince Albert getrou. Na 'n privaat fotosessie in die Swartbergpas het hulle en sowat 90 gaste tussen die Swartberg Hotel wingerde in die agter-

plaas tuisgemaakte Lynchburg lemonade en skemerkelkies geniet.

Die onthaal was iets om te aanskou. Gaste is bederf met 'n reuse kleurvolle buffet, verskeie kase en wonderlike tuisgemaakte brode en konfyte asook 'n asemrowende soet hoekie met allerande lekkernye vanaf nougat tot M&M Smarties met die paartjie se name op. Gedekte tafels met proteas, tulpe, woestyn rosies en verskeie bos plante vanaf die area het die gaste betower.

The Friend asked Maryke how she met the man in her life. "Marcel and I met for the first time through mutual friends. I was new in George and still finding my feet when I met this tall, handsome man who had quite the reputation in George.

We got on well from the start. We bumped into each other now and again jogged on the beach, had tea together and one evening he invited me for dinner. To my surprise and pleasure he gave me a big kiss. The rest

is history and we have never spent a day apart since then. He is my best buddy, my rock and an inspiration."

Why did they choose Prince Albert for the wedding? "We first visited Prince Albert last year for the Olive Festival. I was a keen runner and Marcel challenged me to a 21 km race up the Pass! We stayed at the Doringbos Cottage and had a fabulous time. Prince Albert has a magical aspect to it, people create a sense of peace that allows one to shut down and relax completely."

Maryke continued: "On our honeymoon at Karoo View we bought a little three legged pot at an antique store, kudu meat from the butcher and made a potjie in our fireplace! Since then we look for every excuse to visit at every possible opportunity. We love everything about Prince Albert. We cycle a lot and the Pass always begs to be climbed."

PRINS ALBERT MUNISIPALITEIT**KENNISGEWING NOMMER 29/2011**

**AANSOEK OM VOORGESTELDE HERSONERING
VAN ERWE 102 & 103, ADDERLEYSTRAAT 123,
PRINS ALBERT
MNR. F J BADENHORST (HOMEGROWN FARMS BK)**

Kennis geskied hiermee ingevolge Artikel 17 van Ordonnansie 15 van 1985 dat die Raad 'n aansoek van **MNR. F J BADENHORST (HOMEGROWN FARMS BK)** ontvang het vir die **HERSONERING** van **ERWE 102 & 103, ADDERLEYSTRAAT 123, PRINS ALBERT**, vanaf **RESIDENSIËLE SONE na SAKE SONE II, VIR DIE VERANDERING VAN DIE BESTAANDE GEBOU IN KLEINER WINKELSPASIES VIR DIE BEDRYF VAN BESIGHEDE.**

Besonderhede van die voorstel lê ter insae by die Munisipale Kantoor, Kerkstraat 33, Prins Albert, gedurende kantoor-ure.

Skriftelike besware, indien enige teen die voorstel, tesame met redes, moet die ondergetekende voor of op **VRYDAG, die 23ste SEPTEMBER 2011** bereik.

Munisipale Kantoor	H METTLER
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PRINCE ALBERT MUNICIPALITY**NOTICE NUMBER 29/2011**

**PROPOSED REZONING OF
ERVEN 102 & 103, 123 ADDERLEY STREET,
PRINCE ALBERT
MR. F J BADENHORST (HOMEGROWN FARMS CC)**

Notice is hereby given in terms of Section 17 of Ordinance 15 of 1985 that Council received an application from **MR. F J BADENHORST (HOMEGROWN FARMS CC)** to **REZONE ERVEN 102 & 103, 123 ADDERLEY STREET, PRINCE ALBERT** from **RESIDENTIAL ZONE to BUSINESS ZONE II for THE CHANGING OF THE EXISTING BUILDING INTO SMALLER SPACES TO RUN BUSINESSES.**

Details of the proposal are available for inspection at the Municipal Offices 33 Church Street, Prince Albert, during office hours.

Written objection, if any, to the proposal together with reasons, must be lodged with the undersigned not later than **FRIDAY, the 23rd of SEPTEMBER 2011.**

Municipal Offices	H METTLER
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PRINS ALBERT MUNISIPALITEIT**KENNISGEWING NOMMER 30/2011**

**AANSOEK OM VERGUNNINGSGEBRUIK
ERF 177, KERKSTRAAT 101, PRINS ALBERT
MNR. MELVIN SMITH EN MEV. MICHELLE SMITH**

Kennis geskied hiermee ingevolge Item 4.7 van die Artikel 8 Regulasies uitgevaardig in terme van die Ordonnansie op Grondgebruikbeplanning, 1985 (Ordonnansie 15 van 1985) dat die Raad 'n aansoek van **MNR. MELVIN SMITH EN MEV. MICHELLE SMITH** ontvang het vir **VERGUNNINGSGEBRUIK** vir die **BEDRYF VAN 'N SKRYFBEHOEFTE BESIGHEID EN DIE AANBIED VAN KUNSVLYT KLASSE** te **ERF 177, KERKSTRAAT 101, PRINS ALBERT.**

Besonderhede van die voorstel lê ter insae by die Munisipale Kantoor, Prins Albert, gedurende kantoor-ure.

Skriftelike besware, indien enige teen die voorstelle, tesame met redes, moet die ondergetekende voor of op **VRYDAG, die 23ste SEPTEMBER 2011** bereik.

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PRINCE ALBERT MUNICIPALITY**NOTICE NUMBER 30/2011**

**APPLICATION FOR CONSENT USE
ERF 177, 101 CHURCH STREET, PRINCE ALBERT
MR. MELVIN SMITH AND MRS. MICHELLE SMITH**

Notice is hereby given in terms of Item 4.7 of the Section 8 Regulations promulgated under the Land Use Planning Ordinance, 1985 (Ordinance 15 of 1985) that the Council has received an application from **MR. MELVIN SMITH AND MRS. MICHELLE SMITH** for **CONSENT USE** to **PRACTISE A STATIONERY BUSINESS AND OFFERING CRAFTS CLASSES** at **ERF 177, 101 CHURCH STREET, PRINCE ALBERT.**

Details of the proposal are available for inspection at the Municipal Offices, Prince Albert, during office hours.

Written objection, if any, to the proposals together with reasons, must be lodged with the undersigned not later than **FRIDAY, the 23rd of SEPTEMBER 2011.**

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30X40 Auction donates to P A Primêr



Auctioneer Mark Steyn encourages the bidding on Marinda Combrinck's painting 'Hoopvol' held by Gallery owner Brent Phillips-White (Photo: Samantha Reinders)

Prince Albert Gallery's annual 30X40 Auction, which is in its eighth year has stood both the test of time and the current economic recession. Although people generally are tightening their belts, an enthusiastic crowd of locals and visitors turned out to view the 67 unsigned artworks on auction at the Gallery on Sunday afternoon, 7 August.

After a slow start, they placed their red dots on the works that took their fancy and by the cut-off time for the silent auction, 29 paintings – those that had two red dots or more – were up for grabs in a live auction.

In his inimitable style, auctioneer Mark Steyn, coaxed, cajoled and at times bullied bidders to make higher and higher offers. At times bidding was intense and when it was all over the auction-goers had spent just over R50 000.00 on artworks in both the silent and live auctions. After the artists are paid and expenses covered, the Gallery will be able to donate R1000.00 to the library at Prince Albert Primêr to buy books on art.

John Southern made the two highest bids of the evening, R5000, for Di McLean's 'Klapperboson a plate' and R4000 for John de Smidt's 'Winter Rain'. Neels

Coetzee's 'Out on the Weltevrede Road, P.A.' fetched R3800 and Estelle Marais' 'Karoo Sunrise', R2800.

A number of first time local entrants contributed to this year's 30X40 auction. They included members of artist JP Meyer's art class and young artists, Emma Maeyer, a Grade 10 pupil at Albert College and Jane-Lee Gouws who is studying Fine Arts at Stellenbosch University.

This year also heralded a fun competition before the auction in which participants had to identify the artists of the unsigned works. The winners were Ilse Schutten and Imke Maeyer who had the highest number of correct answers. R250 was raised towards Christine Thomas' dream of holding a kite-flying day with the youth of Prince Albert.

Prince Albert Gallery - 2012

Plans are already afoot for next year's 30X40 when artists, both professional and amateur, will be encouraged to commemorate and interpret Prince Albert's 250 years. The Gallery is also hosting a two-week long art festival as part of the year-long celebrations. Keep abreast of developments on the Gallery's website <http://goo.gl/wRNTh>



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Armoede en maatskaplike probleme gaan toeneem

- Maruschka Erasmus -

BADISA se Algemene Jaar Vergadering is op 18 Augustus in die NG Kerkzaal gehou en is goed bygewoon deur die gemeenskap, nagenoeg 100 mense. Die plaaslike BADISA raad met Dave Rennie as voorsitter, Jan Botma, Jan Booyens, finansies, Thea Barnard, Bessie Fielies en Maxie Petoors asook verteenwoordigers van BADISA van George was ook teenwoordig.

Die talentvolle AGS Jeuggroep het ons met hulle sang vermaak terwyl die jong 'Gumboot' dansers vol selfvertroue gedans het en prettig was om dop te hou.

Voorsitter Dave Rennie berig dat Prince Albert die gevolge van die wêreld resessie beleef en dat beide toerisme en werkverskaffing beïnvloed sal word omdat mense 'n kleiner spandeerbare inkomste het met die gevolg dat armoede sal toeneem.

Alhoewel BADISA sedert sy stigting in 2006 'n verskil gemaak het in die gemeenskappe van Prince Albert, Leeu-Gamka, Klaarstroom en omliggende gebiede, het die afgelope jaar 'n beduidende toename in maatskaplike probleme, veral alkoholmisbruik, seksuele misdade en kinderverlating getoon. Om sake te vererger het die Departement van Maatskaplike Ontwikkeling in Desember 2010 hul bydrae aan die BADISA sokombuis en voedingskema ingekort. Dit is dus voorspelbaar dat die jaar wat voorlê vol uitdagings sal wees en mnr Rennie versoek almal om saam te staan teen die vyand van armoede en maatskaplike probleme.

Hy bedank die 'Thursday Group', *Lotto* en die Kaap Gemeenskapskas sonder wie BADISA nie sou kon regkry wat hulle tans doen nie.

Heinrich Mettler, die waarnemende Munisipale Bestuurder, was die gasspreker en het met groot oortuiging en passie oor die

waarde van gemeenskap ontwikkelings organisasies gepraat. "Hulle maak reuse bydraes, ek is self die produk van gemeenskapsontwikkeling." Hy was 'n petroljoggie en was vasbeslote om homself te verbeter. Hy het besluit om te studeer en gevind dat deure oop gegaan en mense in hom begin glo het. Hy het eers deur die kerk en daarna deur 'n jeugorganisasie gemeenskapswerk gedoen, hy beklemtoon hoe belangrik dit is om terug te gee - 'Pay it forward' - so kan jy 'n inspirerende, sigbare impak maak.

Na sy ondervinding meen hy dat gemeenskapsorganisasies binne hulle teiken groepe moet werk en nie vir hulle nie - so word waardigheid herstel en die 'handout' mentaliteit ontmoedig. Werkers moet passievol en inspirerend wees, hulle moet met nuwe oë na die dorp se bates kyk: bejaardes is gemeenskapsbates. Die paradigmaskuif - om te GLO in die mense saam met wie ons werk - moet gemaak word. Die groot uitdaging is om nie korttermyn oplossings toe te pas om langtermyn probleme op te los



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VYGIES – JEWELS OF THE KAROO

- Shireen Reid -

Thirty-three percent of the world's 10 000 species of succulents are found in the Karoo and 63% of these are vygies or *mesembs*. 1700 of the world's 1720 species of vygies occur in South Africa, mainly in the areas around Steytlerville, Van Rhynsdorp, Springbok and Prince Albert. And 50 different species can be found in the Prince Albert area alone!

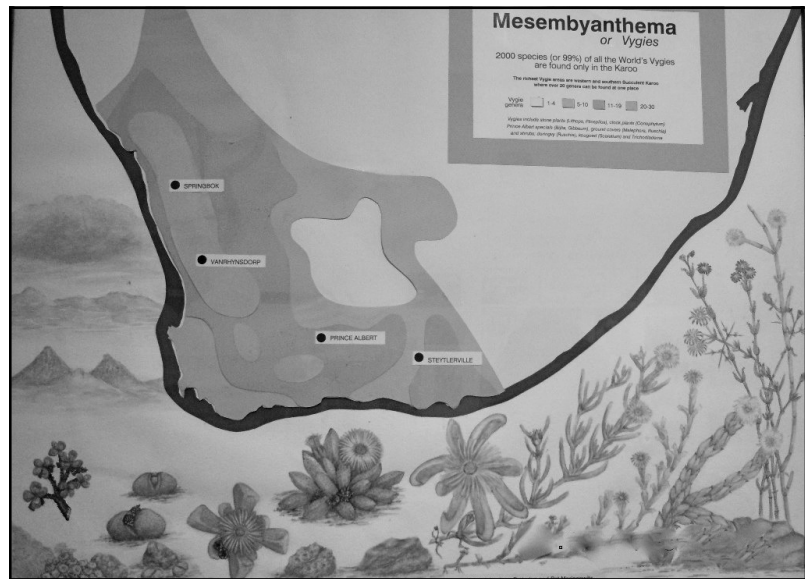
Sue Dean of Renu-Karoo shared these and other fascinating facts about *mesembs* with the Garden Club on Wednesday afternoon, 3 August, in St John's Church hall. *Mesembs* come in all sorts of shapes and colours, but never in blue! Some look like stones (*lithops*), some look like daisies; some open in the sunlight and attract insects with their bright colours and others open only at night, attracting insects with their different scents. Some are deciduous and others skeletonise in times of drought. Yet others prefer shade to sun. One common factor, however, is that they all have capsules which open up when wet allowing the rain to wash out the seeds. Animals such as baboons and tortoises also eat the seeds without digesting them, helping them to be widely dispersed.

Vygies are not too difficult to grow. Generally, one need only break off a piece and bury the stalk up to two nodes. Growing them from seed takes a little more effort and time.

Sue informed the meeting that the *Bijlia Cana*, a *lithops* found only in the Prince Albert area, has recently been re-named *Bijlia Dilitata*.

Calling all bird lovers

The next meeting of the Garden Club will be a talk by Dorrien Tissiman on birds that are commonly found in local gardens, which should interest not only gardeners but also bird lovers; and you need not be a 'twitter' to appreciate the range of birds and birdsong in our area. The meeting is on Wednesday afternoon, 7 September, at 15:00 in Die Dam, next to the Fransie Pienaar Museum.



Pat Marincowitz's illustrated map of the occurrence of vygies in South Africa (Photo: Sue Dean)

Everyone is welcome to attend. Please remember your mug for tea or coffee. Members pay R5 and visitors R10.

Plant Sale

The Garden Club will be holding its

popular plant sale at the Saturday *markie* early in October. This is an ideal time to buy a range of plants and seedlings at reasonable prices – notices of the date of the sale will be posted at various venues in town.



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Annual General Meeting

As the weather begins to warm up and September is upon us it is time, once again, for the Association's Annual General Meeting.

Ons verteenwoordig al die inwoners en belastingbetalers van die Prince Albert Munisipaliteit. Ons wil graag die bewustheid van die Vereniging in die breë gemeenskap vergroot en het om hierdie rede beide die begintyd en perseel verander.

Ons poog om dit sodoende vir werkende ouers en mense sonder gereedlike vervoer makliker te maak om die ver-

gadering by te woon en ingelig te word aangaande wat die Vereniging vir hulle kan beteken.

So this year the meeting will be held on **Tuesday, September 13th, 2011 at 6pm in the Sydwell Williams Centre**. As a bonus we have secured Mayor Goliath Lottering as the Guest Speaker and are sure that what he has to say will be of interest to each and everyone of us.

The Agenda follows the usual format including an address from the Chairperson, a brief overview of what the Association does, a report from the Treasurer and the election of office

bearers. And with the addition of Mayor Lottering, who will share his vision for the Prince Albert Municipality during his term of office, the evening promises to be an important one.

Lidmaatskap is steeds slegs R20 vir die hele jaar en kan by die saal, tussen 5.45 en 6nm betaal word. Onthou **slegs** lede wat betaal het, mag vir verteenwoordigende ampsdraers stem.

We wish you all the best for a water-wise summer ahead and look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 13th September at the Sydwell Williams Centre.

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- Denene Erasmus -

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The study subjected various local and

imported olive oils available on local supermarket shelves to an international test. The results showed that locally produced olive oils remained the consumer's safest choice.

"The main motivation behind the study was to inform local consumers about the true quality of available olive oils," explained Leonard Arangies, SAO manager. "The reality is not all oils labelled as extra-virgin can in fact be classified as extra virgin. In particular, imported oils that were tested showed shocking deviations."

A random sample of seven locally produced and 23 imported oils were tested in an accredited international laboratory according to specifications of the International Olive Council.

The results showed that none of the local oils that were tested showed any sign of being tampered with, whereas 26% of the imported oils were fraudulently bottled as extra virgin, stated SAO.

Furthermore, 66% of the tested oils showed some form of defect and should therefore not be allowed to carry the extra-virgin label.

Only 33% of the 30 tested oils claiming to be extra-virgin were in fact extra-virgin. While only 22% of the imported olive oils passed as extra-virgin, 71% of South African oils that were tested deserved this status.

Arangies said that consumers should be on the lookout for bottles bearing the Member of SA Olive Commitment to Compliance Scheme (CTC) seal which confirms that the olive oil is 100% locally produced in accordance with the SA Olive Code of Conduct and Practice, based on international standards, and that the bottles are accurately labelled.

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Creative Paving and Stone Walls

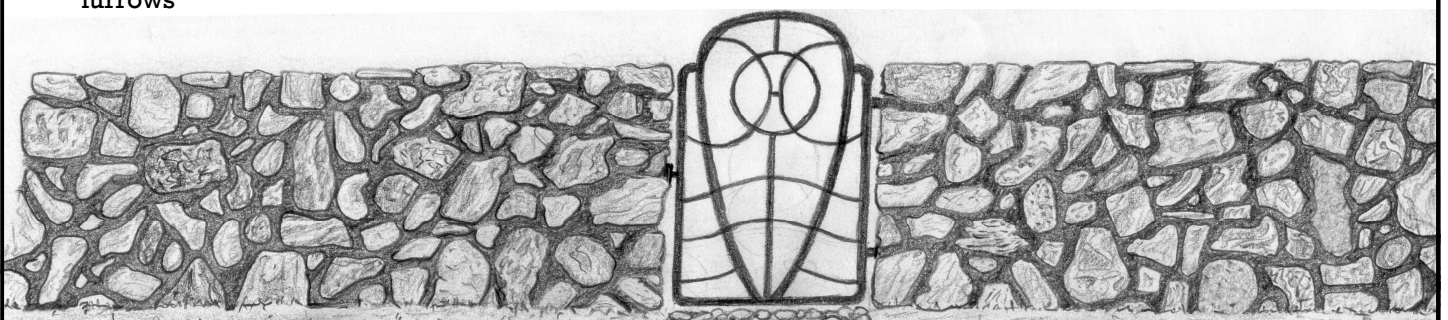


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- Denise Ohlson -

Op Saterdag 20 Augustus is 'n ensemble van 75 Kaapse musikante met 'n spontane staande ovasie beloon tydens hul musiek-uur in die Nuwe Apostoliese Kerk in Prince Albert. 'n Groot en waarderende gehoor het die saamgestelde kerkkoor (bestaande uit sestig stemme, sewe viole, twee trompette, twee trombone, klarinet, blokfluit, orrel en sleutelbord) deurentyd welverdiende applous gegee, want daar was vele hoogtepunte - veral toe daar so treffende in Xhosa en Zulu gesing is. Die stemming het gewissel van roerend tot daverend juigend en die soliste het ook hul eenmalige talent wonderlik ingespan tot verheerliking van die naam van die Here.



Hier wys een van die koördigente sy slag tydens die musiek-uur in die Nuwe Apostoliese Kerk

Passie vir die Woord van God en 'n liefde vir musiek bind hierdie groep musikante saam in 'n hegte familie. Hul

deursettingsvermoë en toewyding is van so 'n aard dat daar geen kollekte of geldinsamelings tydens hul optredes ge-

hou word nie. Elkeen betaal altyd vir sy eie passaat, waar hulle ook al optree.

Die koor het ook tydens die Saterdagoggendmark opgetree en in die proses die hele gemeenskap genooi om hul musiek-uur gratis te kom bywoon. Tydens die Sondagoggenddiens het die koor saam met die Prince Albert Gemeentekoor gesing en na die diens het hulle ook twee tradisionele liederes as toegif gesing.

Die koor, van Kuilsrivier en Tafelsig se Opsiner areas, kom gereeld na Prince Albert en hulle volgende besoek word beplan vir die naweek van 12 en 13 November. Pieter Kamfer, as gemeenteleier van die Nuwe Apostoliese Kerk in Prince Albert, sal sorg dat alle musiekliefhebbers ingelig sal word oor die presiese tye.

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Verkrag: wat nou?



Adjutant Juliana van der Westhuizen en Konstabels Desmary Joseph en Vynzell Meyer van die SA Polisie dienste

- Ronél McKnight -

Wat is die moets en moenies van 'n slagoffer ná verkragting?

Konstabels Vynzell Meyer (Eenheid vir Sosiale Misdaad in Prince Albert) en Desmary Joseph (Eenheid vir Gesinsgeweld, Kinderbeskerming en Seksuele Misdrywe in Beaufort-Wes) het die Prince Albert VLV op 20 Julie kom

toespraak oor hierdie veel besproke onderwerp.

Volgens konst. Joseph is die belangrikste om dadelik die polisie na die toneel te ontbied en niks aan die toneel of die slagoffer te verander nie. Die slagoffer se liggaam is ook deel van die misdaadtoneel en belangrike bewyse kan vernietig word.

Die prosedures wat gevolg word ná 'n verkragting, is op 'n sensitiewe manier aan die vergadering oorgedra.

Konst. Meyer het die vergadering verseker dat slagoffers ten volle op die polisie se samewerking en ondersteuning kan staatmaak en dat dit baie belangrik is dat alle verkragtings aangemeld word, aangesien dit moonlik nie die verkrachter se laaste verkragting sal wees nie.

Konst. Joseph en Meyer is vergesel deur adjutant Juliana vd Westhuizen (Finansiële Eenheid, Prince Albert).

Paul Eilers-aand in die Schouburg

- Ronél McKnight -

Op 12 Augustus het die akteur Paul Eilers op uitnodiging van die plaaslike VLV in die Jans Rautenbach Schouburg opgetree met sy gewilde voorlesings. En hy het homself weer eens oortref!

Die samestellings van sy verhale, o.a. deur Dana Snyman, Chris Barnard, Johan Bakkes en Nataniël, afgewissel met 'n paar gedigte, is briljant gedoen. Soms loop die trane van die lag, dan van hartseer, en dan somer net omdat dit so mooi is!

'n Koue aand, 'n glasie wyn, sop en brood en 'n goeie storie – wie kan aan 'n genotvoller aand dink!

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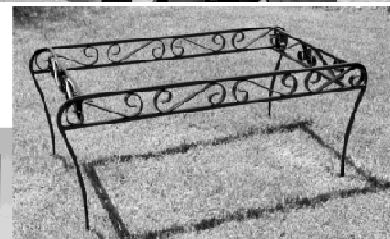
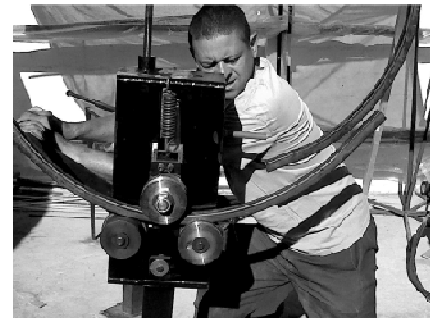
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Uncle Remus Attends a Moonlit Market

Uncle Remus be a devoted patron of this here esteemed publication and one day he read the newspaper and spy there gonna be a moonlit market come Friday. Uncle Remus remember how when he just knee-high to a milk pail he and his Daddy and his Mammy sit by the plantation and look at the big moon while she come up over the cotton fields and make night into day and he remember how his Mammy she take his little hand and she say, "My Baby Boy, you gotta know, there be a man in that there moon."

So Uncle Remus get real wound up about any social event what gonna take place under the light of the moon and come Friday him and the Boy get specially clean and smart and they hit out down the big road till they fetch up where all the folks is gathering for this fine occasion. Uncle Remus he real astonished to spy a whole string of lights like it be Christmas time and there be little covered shops what offer all kinds of delights. A man with a big beard what make him look like he come out the Bible and his pretty lady got heavy books and lovely plants for sale. Folks is making fancy soups and real neat pies and even artworks what make Mr Vincent van Gogh look like he never had a drawing lesson in his whole life.

Uncle Remus and the Boy look all around, kinda wide-eyed till they spy a stranger cooking something in a big silver pot. "What be that?" ask Uncle Remus. "*Glühwein*," come the answer. Now Uncle Remus never hear that name all the time he been born, for sure, but he and the Boy take a hit at two white cups, and they sip while they put foot all amongst the decorous happenings, amazed by the exciting variety. They takin in the good food like they been denied nourishment all their lives.

There be mighty strange dishes called mighty strange names and an old dude with white whiskers on his chin is selling some victuals what called *paella* which be half dead rabbit and half dead rooster which don't mean that the rabbit and the rooster it half dead, it just mean them

both mighty dead, but presented half/half on the food plate. Uncle Remus and the Boy wolf them all down, and most specially something called Prego rolls which be a little bitty of a cow grilled nice and fetch up in a white bun, and Uncle Remus never know it done so good. And there be some old gals what look like they gotta be in wheelchairs or even buried underground, but they still mighty spry, and they selling magical items from history with a whole heap of household importance.

By 'n by some old timer, real friendly, with white hair and a carpet factory, he catch Uncle Remus by the sleeve and he say, "Uncle Remus, you and the Boy gotta set yourselves down and join us with a whole heap of good times." Uncle Remus be of a retiring disposition, so he hesitate, but the old timer with the white hair and the carpet factory talk to Uncle Remus real polite, so Uncle Remus and the Boy set theirselves down, right next to a slender gal who real pretty, cause she got two eyes different colour and who maybe gotta be the old timer's special acquaintance.

Uncle Remus and the Boy is sipping their white cups and spy there be a whole heap of jugs of the strong stuff on the table, and the citizens of this pretty town is becoming notably uninhibited 'cause there be cheery banter and some kind of risky talk what Uncle Remus never hear when he brung up right by his Daddy and his Mammy on the plantations where the snow white cotton grow innocent.

Uncle Remus and the Boy replenish their white cups and take a few hits at the good stuff, and then the music start up. There be a young girl what look like she gotta be in the movies and she take that electrical contraption and hold it to her sweet lips and she sing like she come from a long line of songbirds. Uncle Remus just feel his foot tapping under the table like he got no control and the citizens start taking to the patch of dust and cutting up the rhythm. There be fine young fellas and some mighty pretty gals, so sweet in their youth, and some old folks, including a Scotsman with a bonny hat on his head, and he hitting the beat with a young lady who look like one day she gonna be breaking a few

hearts, and showtime is getting wound up, for sure.

By 'n by a nice-looking, middle-aged gal in a red coat take Uncle Remus by the hand and she say no good sitting there like a wooden idol when the beat get going, so them two start to follow the rhythm and cut up the dust. Uncle Remus ain't had no barn dance for many years or maybe even more, but he remember the steps and come two, three, four, he making like he a young fella in his prime.

All things is going real dandy, but the Boy all alone till a young wisp of a gal pick him up and she say: "Boy, you ain't gonna set yourself there, waiting for the sun to rise and you doing nothing. My name Vita, and you gonna dance, cause I gonna show you how." So now all them folks at the moonlit market is whooping it up, and all round the commerce continue with sales of food and conversation about the politics and how rainfall is affecting what grow in the fields and how varmints is the very devil. And the music is real live and the young lady sing songs to make dead folks rise to their feet. Just then Uncle Remus astonished to spy a dude with no hair fall down in the dirt 'cause he been flung cranksided by a strong young lady who eat only vegetables (maybe he be plain too fresh) and Uncle Remus make a note of how he gotta be wary about young ladies who eat only vegetables.

The time slip by real quick and Uncle Remus wiping his brow from so much footwork. The Prego rolls is all wolfed down and the soups and pies been finished off by happy customers, and the folks start to drift off to where they live. The singing lady is singing her last song under the big silver moon and her heart go into every word. Uncle Remus and the Boy step slow to their small house and the Boy hit sack right off and he lie there wide-eyed, dreaming of a wisp of a gal called Vita, 'cause he definitely in love.

Uncle Remus make hisself a big jug of black coffee and he set hisself down in the rocking chair and light his seegar, and while he blow smoke out in the yard he just wonder if the middle-aged gal in the red coat got a cell phone.

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Albert College - English Olympiad Stars!

- Ailsa Tudhope -

The English Olympiad started in 1976 as a small Eastern Cape project with 119 entries, the winner received a prize of R50. It has now grown into a national competition, which attracted 6700 entrants in 2011. Albert College is tremendously proud of our three bronze certificate winners: Nadia Lerm, Michaela Steyn and Joshua Swanepoel; three silver certificate holders: Emma Maeyer, Abigail Modra and Matthew van Heerden and Caleb Swanepoel, who wrote the exam for the first time, won a gold certificate and was ranked 86th in the country. Congratulations Caleb!

Sponsored by De Beers and Rhodes University, the English Olympiad competition is a prestigious one. The top fifty prize winners win a bursary to Rhodes University, the top twenty attend the School's Festival in Grahamstown and the top three go on a Literary Tour of England.

The competition has an 'open book' format. Entrants receive a collection of mate-

rial based upon a particular theme. The 2011 topic was particularly challenging. Entitled "Confession and Consequences" the extracts studied came from the Bible, The Crucible, Measure for Measure and The Tiger Woods Affair.

Schools are encouraged to run workshops during which the youngsters can discuss the material. At Albert College we dedicate a weekly session to the English Olympiad. Lively discussion allows everyone to express their opinions and results in the production of lots of different forms of writing. Sometimes small groups collaborate and some highly entertaining play readings took place during this year's preparation.

Abigail, Matthew and Joshua complete their Cambridge AS English exams in November and will no longer be eligible to enter the Olympiad, yet seem determined to take part in the workshops. We have some enthusiastic younger writers honing their skills: while the Grade 9 students were too young to register for the exam they wrote the paper with their older

friends, a practice run for their official entries in 2012.

In March the examination papers arrive – opening them on the day is very exciting for the teachers and a little nerve-racking for the students, who each write two pieces of work. The choice of topics and styles is extremely wide and allows for great creativity. As the SACEE website says: "The Olympiad is about participation and enrichment. What is looked for is a critical, intelligent, individual response to the given works. It is not an examination where candidates can regurgitate notes or facts."

The papers are sent off by registered post the same day and then we wait for three months to hear the outcome. The delight with which we received this year's results can only be imagined.

Later this year we will receive another anthology, the theme still secret, to be read during the Christmas holidays. We are already looking forward to our Friday morning English Olympiad sessions in 2012. In the meantime we have some Commonwealth Jubilee Time Capsule material to write, but more of that in another edition of the *Friend*...

PRINS ALBERT MUNISIPALITEIT

KENNISGEWING NOMMER 31/2011 **AANSOEK OM VOORGESTELDE HERSONERING** **VAN ERWE 2325, ODENDAALSTRAAT,** **PRINS ALBERT** **M P COLLINS EN J L PRETORIUS**

Kennis geskied hiermee ingevolge Artikel 17 van Ordonnansie 15 van 1985 dat die Raad 'n aansoek van **MNRE. MP COLLINS EN J L PRETORIUS** ontvang het vir die **HERSONERING** van **ERF 2325, ODENDAALSTRAAT, PRINS ALBERT**, vanaf **RESIDENSIËLE SONE na SAKE SONE I, VIR DIE OPRIGTING VAN 'N GEBOU MET MEDIUM EN KLEIN WINKELSPASIES VIR DIE BEDRYF VAN BESIGHEDE.**

Besonderhede van die voorstel lê ter insae by die Munisipale Kantoor, Kerkstraat 33, Prins Albert, gedurende kantoor-ure.

Skriftelike besware, indien enige teen die voorstelle, tesame met redes, moet die ondergetekende voor of op **VRYDAG, die 23ste SEPTEMBER 2011** bereik.

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PRINCE ALBERT MUNICIPALITY

NOTICE NUMBER 31/2011 **PROPOSED REZONING OF** **ERF 2325, ODENDAAL STREET,** **PRINCE ALBERT** **M P COLLINS AND J L PRETORIUS**

Notice is hereby given in terms of Section 17 of Ordinance 15 of 1985 that Council received an application from **MR M P COLLINS AND J L PRETORIUS** to **REZONE ERF 2325, ODENDAAL STREET, PRINCE ALBERT** from **RESIDENTIAL ZONE** to **BUSINESS ZONE I** for **THE CONSTRUCTION OF A BUILDING WITH MEDIUM AND SMALLER SHOP SPACES FOR THE PURPOSE OF BUSINESSES.**

Details of the proposal are available for inspection at the Municipal Offices 33 Church Street, Prince Albert, during office hours.

Written objection, if any, to the proposals together with reasons, must be lodged with the undersigned not later than **FRIDAY, the 23rd of SEPTEMBER 2011.**

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Andrew Steyn - Rising Rugby Star

- Lesley van Heerden -

Andrew Steyn of Albert College has been selected to play for the South Western Districts' (SWD) U/12A rugby team to compete in the U/12 Interprovincial Tournament in Riversdale in October.

Andrew, who plays lock, began his rugby career at the tender age of eight when he played for the Hoërskool Zwartberg U/9 team under the guidance of Kobus Snyman. He and other Albert College students still play in Hoërskool Zwartberg's rugby teams; Andrew is a member of the school's U/13 team where he is coached by Danie Rossouw.

Lesley van Heerden, a teacher at Albert College, told the *Friend*: "Andrew and other Albert College pupils really enjoy being able to play in Hoërskool Zwartberg's competitive and dynamic teams and the opportunity to participate in the SWD rugby trials."

Andrew's favourite rugby player is Stefan Terblanche of the Sharks. "He inspires me



Albert College's Andrew Steyn

because not only is he a veteran rugby player but also when he captained the Sharks, he showed skill and consideration of his team," he explained.

Andrew is also a keen tennis, cricket and hockey player and excels academically. He is no stranger to the stage either and is an enthusiastic member of the Patchwork Theatre.

PA Scrabblers

- Peter Mc Ewan -

The time has come for the *Friend's* annual report on the noisy group that readers will have noticed scrabbling for tiles and swishing through dictionary pages on the stoep of a local coffee house. Our reigning champion Elizabeth Lawson shares her crown and throne with Magda Mostert since they each won 46 games. Magda is Afrikaans-speaking and English is her second language. Well done Magda!

Adri Schoeman came second with 45 games and held this year's record score of 427 points for a single game. André Jaquet, Sonja McKenna and Adri shared the highest score of 737 points in a single game.

Despite the frequent raucous excitement and the challenges of exotic words that are only used by 300 people in the Outer Hebrides, there was no need to call on the services of a medical doctor. Nor were patrolling police vans required to intervene.

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Wie sou kon raai dat daar in ons eie Prince Albert 'n volle 23 studente is wat aan UNISA, in wyd uiteenlopende vakrigtings, studeer. Plaaslike biblioteke het nie noodwendig die voorgeskrewe en/of aanbevole boeke in voorraad nie en studente sukkel om boeke te bekom, om die rede het die UNISA-biblioteekbus Prince Albert op Woensdag 29 Junie besoek en sal dit voortaan op 'n maandelikse grondslag doen. So-doende word 'n broodnodige diens aan studente in afgeleë plattelandse dorpie gelewer. Beide UNISA studente wat studiemateriaal benodig en voornemende studente wat inligting verlang, is baie welkom om by die UNISA-biblioteekbus aan te klop.

Die datums van volgende besoeke is: 28 September, 26 Oktober, 30 November 2011, van 13:00 – 14:00 by die Prince Albert Biblioteek.

UNISA aansoeke vir 2012 sluit op 2 September 2011.

Skoolbestuurspan op Opleidingseminaar



Vier lede van Hoërskool Zwartberg se skoolbestuurspan (SBS) het die afgelope Junievakansie 'n leierskap- en bestuursvaardigheidseminaar by die Kuilsrivier Opleidings- en Leierskap Instituut (KOLI) naby Kaapstad bygewoon. Hulle is vlnr. Richard McKnight, skoolhoof; Jennifer Munro, departementshoof; Shaun van der Walt, fasehoof en Danie Rossouw, adjunkhoof.

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Rossouw du Toit, rugbyspeler en hoogspringer

Rossouw du Toit, jongste seun van pannekoekbakkers, Mari en Johan du Toit, is gekies as reserwe vir die O/18 SWD akademiese week rugbyspan. Rossouw is tans 'n graad 11 leerder aan Hoërskool Oudtshoorn.

Die SWD se Jong Arende het eers aan die Suidkus Rugbytoernooi in Riversdal deelgeneem. Die O/18's van die SWD, Bolland, Westelike Provinsie en Oostelike Provinsie het op 17 en 18 Junie teen mekaar gespeel ter voorbereiding vir die SA Skole akademiese week wat by Hoërskool Bekker, Magaliesburg, sou plaasvind.

Vanaf 27 tot 30 Junie het 24 spanne van oor die hele Suid-Afrika teen mekaar meegeding. SWD se Jong Arende het baie goed gevaar. Hulle het die Sharks gewen, gelykop gespeel teen die Cheetahs en verloor teen die Lions.

Rossouw sê dit was baie goeie ondervinding en hy hoop om volgende jaar as slot vir die SWD span uit te draf.

Rossouw se sporttalent is egter nie net tot rugby beperk nie. Hy is ook 'n belowende hoogspringer in atletiek. Hy is vroeër vanjaar ingesluit in die Wes-Kaapse atletiekspan wat van 23 tot 26 Maart in die Paarl deelgeneem het aan die Suid-Afrikaanse Atletiek byeenkoms vir hoërskole. Uit 24 O/17 seuns van regoor die



land het Rossouw agtste geëindig.

Rossouw was die enigste deelnemer wat homself afrig terwyl al die ander atlete persoonlike afrigters langs die veld gehad het. Hy is oortuig daarvan dat hy met die hulp van 'n afrigter hoër as sy huidige 2 meter kan spring.

Sy ma, Mari, het aan die *Vriend* gesê "Ongelukkig is daar, volgens ons kennis, niemand op Oudtshoorn wat regtig vir Rossouw professioneel kan help nie. Hy is bereid om ook gedurende die Desember vakansie op Prince Albert te oefen. As iemand weet van hulp sal dit hoog op prys gestel word."

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WNNR besoek Hoërskool Zwartberg



Donderdag, 3 Augustus, het die Wetenskaplike en Nywerheidsnavorsingsraad (WNNR) Hoërskool Zwartberg besoek. Die vier lede van die span het 'n uiters interessante praatjie kom lewer. Die leerders het in 'n kort tydjie meer geleer van die basiese van lasertegnologie, maar is uitgeklik deur Stefan se chemiese eksperimente met skouspelagtige resultate. Vrae is agterna deur die aanbieders gevra en elke leerder wat in die kol was met 'n antwoord, het 'n klein wetenskaplike prysie ontvang. Die span aanbieders se doel was om meer leerders te inspireer om Natuur- en Skeikunde as vak te kies vir Gr 10 tot 12. Ons hoop van harte hulle het in hul doel geslaag.

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